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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fees and the examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 34.

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 3, line 4, delete "or 2/1.

Claim 4, lines 1 and 2, change "any one of Claims 1 to 3" to --- Claim 1---.

Claim 5, lines 1 and 2, change "any one of Claims 1 to 4" to --- Claim 1---.